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Truckee's Quota For USO Topped By Scrap Drive

$385 Raised By Local Club To Assist Service Organization

Principally through the collection and sale of scrap metal, the Truckee Lions Club last week completed the payment of Truckee's USO quota by contributing $375 to the important work.

The club members personally collected two cars of scrap metal which was sold at the rate of $8 per ton. Because they paid for most of the scrap in the first car, the returns were not great, but the second car, dispatched a month ago, brought a total of $250.

Because of inadequate transportation, the club has stopped collecting scrap, but is urging those who have the precious metal to contact a junk dealer and dispose of it, as scrap is still needed by factories producing war materials.

War Effort Is Blamed In Loss Ot Population

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The purging of the great register completed by County Clerk R. N. McCormack, reveals there are now 7,002 voters in Nevada County as compared with 10,691 two years ago. This marks a 20 per cent decrease in the population of the county.

Democrats have a registration of 3,810 as compared with 6,439 in 1940, while Republicans total 3,015 as compared with 3,926 votes two years ago. Nonpartisans have dropped from 267 to 139, Socialists from 18 to 10, Prohibitionists from 11 to 6 and the Townsendites from 26 to 19

The sharp decrease in the number of registered voters in the county, totaling 3,689, is attributed to the higher wages paid in the war industries elsewhere, enlistments in the armed services and to the departure of gold miners.

The 1940 census gave the county's population at a little less than 20,000.

Shorts About Service Men

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What the Boys are Doing Here and There

Another plug for the USO comes from Pvt. Bob Bowers in Chanute Field, Ill., this week. Bob wrote that "The more I travel in the army, the more I think of the USO." He told of the fine reception they had en route to the new post at the hands of the service group. It seems the USO had been notified of the arrival of the 50 soldiers and had prepared a fine lunch for them and sent them on their way with cigarettes, apples, and magazines. "It is needless to say," Bob wrote, "that we went away from that little town with many fine thoughts about it." At the time he was partaking of that fine hospitality, Bob said, he wondered if Truckee had ever secured the reading room for the soldiers near here.

The Christmas gifts to the boys in the service from Truckee through the Parents and Teachers association are finding their mark and leaving the desired impression. For example a letter this week from Pvt. Paul Losey with the air corps in Kansas City. Writes Paul: "Would you please thank the citizens of Truckee for the Christmas present. It was certainly appreciated." He went on to report that he is attending school at Missouri Aviation Institute and will graduate as a mechanic inspector to become a crew chief. He sends to all his friends in Truckee best wishes for the holiday.

Edwin Parkhurst, who was among the most recent class of inductees from Truckee is stationed with the engineers at Fort Leonard Wood in Missouri, according to word received by his mother, Mrs. Tennis He was inducted November 23.

Seaman First Class Jack Easton, who married the former Miss Lena Tennis of Truckee, hopes to be able to come home for Christmas. Jack was a member of the crew of the Cruiser Boise which won fame in the Guadalcanal area in October by destroying six enemy ships. The cruiser is now undergoing repair in an eastern port.

A Christmas card from Staff Sgt. E. D. Waters indicates that he is en route to Fort Jackson, South Carolina. Friends will be pleased to hear of his promotion to the rank he now holds in his truck regiment.

Consensus of Nevada Navy recruiters in re curfew laws in Reno: Any gob who can't guzzle enough grog within the hours specified should have his guzzling gadget fitted with a grog governor.

Among the latest to take their oath in the navy at the Reno recruiting station was Albert Earl Burlingham of Truckee, who has signed up as a fireman first class. Leo Cardinal who was sworn in at the same time will be a machinist's mate second class.

Sergeant Karl Kielhofer who is stationed in California enjoyed a meeting with his father, Karl, Sr., at Sacramento and his mother, Mrs. Rose Kielhofer and his grandmother Mrs. Tillie Smith at Roseville on Tuesday this week.

Johnny Rau, former S. P. employe, who was inducted November 23 is in Louisiana.

SERVICE CLUBS TO HOLD JOINT NEW YEAR PARTY HERE

Committees from the Truckee Lions Club and the Truckee-Tahoe Rotary Club are collaborating on a program to be held at Capitol Hall New Years eve at which members and ladies of both service organizations will join for a gala entertainment.

A dinner will be a feature of the evening and dancing and games will be enjoyed. Presidents Lloyd Greene and Elden Tonini are heading their respective committees in arranging the program.

CHRISTMAS PARTY ENJOYED BY O. E. S. IN LOCAL SESSION

The annual get-together pot luck dinner for members of Truckee Chapter No. 116, Order of Eastern Star, is being planned for January 19, with Mrs. Florence Matson as general chairman.

A Christmas party was held on Tuesday evening, following routine business, Naomi Hursey, Elizabeth Bavier and Florence Matson being in charge of the entertainment and the delicious refreshments served.

Gifts filled the decorated tree and were exchanged among those present. Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Greene rendered a kazoo duet and encore; Thresia Buddle gave a descriptive reading of Christmas and carols were sung.

The banquet table was decorated with lighted candles in pine burs, fir boughs and the candy cups were made up with small burs, to carry out the seasonal theme.

Worthy Matron Naomi Hursey presented each one with a gift.

CHRISTMAS PARTY SLATED TONIGHT

The public is again reminded of annual Christmas party to be held at the grammar school auditorium tonight at 8 o'clock. There will be a program of fun for children and adults and everyone is invited to join in the fun. Mrs. Kay Mulcahy is the Parent Teacher association chairman in charge of the affai·

HOT LUNCH PLANS FOR LOCAL SCHOOL ARE DISCUSSED

Tentative plans for hot lunches for local grammar school children after the first of the year were being made here yesterday when Mrs. Sylva Mosher, rural supervisor and the Nevada county health nurse were here conferring with members of the grammar school board of trustees and teachers.

It is believed that government surplus commodtiies and perhaps a small sum from each child to purchase other foods will be used for the lunches.

Night Operator For S. P. Transferred To Capital

George Rhubusky, who has been the operator for the Southern Pacific company between the hours of 4 p.m. and midnight, has transferred to Sacramento where he will operate from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. He had been in Truckee for the past two years and will be missed. He is being replaced here by Earl Stice of Willows who went to work this week.

TRADE IN TRUCKEE

.: Sun :. Beams

by WALTER M. BARRETT

Three-hundred and seventy five dollars is a considerable sum of money to be raised in a town of the size of Truckee for even the United Service Organizations and the local Lions Club realized this when they voted to raise that amount as Truckee's quota. The magnitude of the task was forgotten, however, in the spirit of the project and last week the check was turned over to the county committee in full. Through the cooperation of local residents, the Lions members gathered and sold tons of scrap metal during the fall months. Members donated trucks, men, money and time to put the project over, but like most programs started by the club, it was brought to a successful conclusion.

With the acute rubber shortage we are able to advance still another reason for keeping the principal thoroughfare here free from its usual variety of debris. Broken glass and other conglamorate materials found along the street are not the best things to drive on, and we believe that considerable rubber in tires can be saved if the street is policed once in a while. That's only one reason for keeping the street clean. We can think of others if you have time to listen.

One rationing board "customer" became quite ired the other day to find that the local office was not open on Sunday to permit him to get supplemental gasoline to make a trip. You would have thought from the tone of his voice and his attitude that the local board, and not the Japs, was responsible for his minor inconvenience. It's well to bear in mind that the strict rules governing the rationing program, are prescribed as a necessity by our government and are not the result of any action by the local board, which functions uncompensated for the best interests of the war effort.

There is only one week left before Christmas. Save time and money by completing your shopping locally. It is not too late to take advantage of the many opportunities offered by Truckee merchants to save on your Christmas gifts.

We honestly believe that Truckee merchants would save their chamber of commerce dues if they would follow the advice of that organization and refer all solicitors to the chamber for an approval of his project. A recent solicitor, we were informed, was told by only one merchant to get the chamber's approval, and he did quite well for himself, we are further advised.

School of Instruction For Eastern Star Held

Mrs. Doris Foley of Nevada City, newly appointed district deputy grand matron of the eighth district which includes Truckee Chapter No. 116, O. E. S., held a school of instruction for the officers of the local chapter Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Foley's official visit to Truckee Chapter will be on May 18.

INSTRUCTIONS TELL RATION PROGRAM

The local food panel of the Office of Price Administration this week received word from the San Francisco office announcing the sugar percentage allotments and stamp valuation for January and February.

The No. 10 sugar stamp of householders will have a value of three pounds and will be valid from December 16 to January 31, inclusive. Stamp No. 9 also entitling the holder to three pounds expires at midnight December 15.

Institutions are to receive 60 per cent of basic quota while industrial users will be allowed 80 per cent.

Registration dates for industrial and institutional users has been set from December 15 to January 5.

Ed. Sassarini Is Victim Of Long Illness in Weimar

Last Rites Held Yesterday For Late Truckee Young Man

Funeral services were held at the Truckee Catholic Church yesterday morning at 11 o'clock for Edward Sassarini, 26, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Sassarini of Truckee and well known here where he spent most of his life.

Sassarini died Sunday morning at 3 o'clock in Weimar,following a long illness which had confined him to his bed for the past several months.

He attended the local schools and prior to his fatal illness had been employed by the Southern Pacific Company.

Besides his parents, the deceased leaves a sister, Mrs. James Garibaldi and a brother Calvin Sassarini of Marysville.

His untimely illness and death will be regretted by scores of friends in this district.

The W. H. Laity Funeral Home had charge of the arrangements and interment was in the Catholic cemetery.

NINE MEMBERS OF LIONS CLUB GIVEN HONORS AT MEET

Eight charter members of the local Lions Club and an additional ten-year member, were honored by the other members of the service organization last night when they were presented with chevrons to wear on their emblem lapel buttons.

Formal presentations were made by President Elden Tonini to W. M. Englehart, Sr., C. Edmunds, A. P. Fontana, Frank Gaiennie and C. B. White who were present charter members of the club. A. P. Leitch, C. J. Bowers and E. L. Loynd were not in attendance but will receive their charter chevorns later. W. M. Englehart, Jr., was the ten-year member who was honored.

Harry Lansberg, program chairman was host to the club at the performance of My Sister Eileen at the Donner Theater.

Sixteen members were present.

SUMMIT TEMPLE TO INSTALL OFFICERS DURING JANUARY

Installation ceremonies for the new officers of Summit Temple No. 79, Pythian Sisters, will be held at the last meeting of the lodge in Janaury.

Election of the following was held Thursday, December 10: past chief, Dorothy Garibaldi; most excellent chief, Violet Garner; excellent senior, Olla Tonini; excellent junior, Gladys Fontana; manager, Laura Gaiennie; m. of r. and s., Veronica Foster; mistress of finance, Julia Ciradella; protector, Alice Quilici; guard, Essie Polyanich; pianist, Estelle Englehart; captain of degree team, Olla Tonini; trustees, Harriett Barrett, Lucille Bick and Mary Giovannoni.

Father of Local Man Injured by Street Car

James Garibaldi returned Sunday from San Francisco where he had been called after his father, John Garibaldi of that city, suffered a serious accident last Monday.

For the past 28 years, the elder Garibaldi had worked in the shops of the Market Street car lines and had never suffered even a minor accident. Last week he was accidentally struck by one of the cars and suffered serious body bruises and concussion. He had recovered but has not returned to work.

Away for Holiday—

Mrs. Tillie Smith left today for Roseville where she will meet her brother, H. C. Lichtenberger. They plan to continue to spend the holiday with their brother, Arthur at Palo Alto and with the Roseville man's son, stationed at Tanforan.

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MY PLACE IN THE SUN

By PVT. DOUG BARRETT

As I take up my quill it is the anniversary of Yellow Sunday, December 7, 1941, when our apologetic beneficiaries proved to the world that they were yellow in more than nomenclature. For the few months following, the news was consistently bad except when it was worse. We bore up well under blow after blow. Now the tide of battle is turning. Many permanent boarders at the wailing wall say there is still a long war ahead. It may be wishful thinking on my part, but I disagree. All the gains made by the Japs were made in eight or nine months. The fall of France—the high point of German victory of arms—came before the war was a yearling. Why, then, can we not expect that we can undo what they have done as rapidly as it was accomplished? It may not be true, but I hope to be home by 1944—don't take any bets on that, just remember I told you so.

Just one more point to my statement that it takes all kinds to make up this man's army. A technical sergeant in our barracks is a photographer for the National Geographic Society. His name is Volkman F. Wentzel. I have seen some of his work and it's really tops. Roy Feathers will probably go looking through his files to check on this and can probably bear me out.

Roy Waters wrote me in a resounding protest against my reaction to getting punched silly with germ-laden hypo needles. He seemed to take it as a personal affront to the entire medical corps—which was far from my intent. Wherever you find any American soldiers, there you will find the medicos, working like mad to alleviate some of the hell of war. They are truly unsung heroes of the battlefront. Their mission—so directly contrary to the philosophy of war—is as dangerous as the most dangerous branch of the service. They must be where the fighting is thickest, where disease is most rampant. Theirs is not a selfish mission but one of sacrifice. I really appreciate the medical corps (not pill rollers, Roy tells me) but just the same, those excess punches in the arm were irritating.

I received a mysterious package from "my friends in Truckee" containing a carton of cigarettes. I understand from my underground that the Truckee Union P. T. A. is the responsible party. To them, then, on behalf of myself and buddies, I extend sincere thanks. The cigarettes were welcome in themselves but the spirit in which they were sent was appreciated even more. All I can say is Thank ye, friends.

Yours for Victory,
Doug.

NEW SCHEDULE IN EFFECT AT THEATER

Starting with last night's performance, the program at the Donner Theater went on its winter schedule. In the future only one complete program will be presented each show night, starting at 8 p. m. However, Manager Vern Shattuck said, following the main attraction, the shorts and news reels will be repeated to give those who cannot arrive by the later schedule, to see the complete program.

Best possible programs will continue to be exhibited each Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday.

Justice Fines—

Justice of the Peace C. E. Smith last month turned $265 into the Nevada County treasure representing fines and fees from the local court.

Attend Uncle's Funrela—

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Laity attended the funeral services for the former's uncle, George Givens in Stockton on Friday. Givens was a Western Pacific engineer.

George Moore of Oakland was here this week looking after his local property.

Capt. Tom Shone Reported Captive Following Bataan

Mother Receives Message Of Son's Incarceration By Japanese

Mingled regret and relief greeted the War Department's announcement last week to the effect that Captain Tom Shone of Boca, is officially announced as a prisoner of war in the hands of the Japanese.

The announcement was received by Captain Shone's mother, Mrs. W. H. Wiley of Boca and marked the first word she had received from her son since the attack on Bataan where he was stationed with the American army.

During the months of absence, it was feared that he had met death and while his present predicament is far from satisfying, the news that he was alive was comforting.

Captain Shone was well known in Truckee where he attended school. He later went to University of Nevada and won a commission in the ROTC. He was in the Philippines when war was declared and withstood the attacks on Bataan until that brave garrison was forced, because of lack reinforcements and supplies to surrender. The stand on Bataan will go down as one of the most heroic battles of the war.

Shone's location or other details were not revealed in the message.

MAGICIAN SHOWS ROTARY TRICKS IN LOCAL MEETING

Private F. C. Pfeiffer of the Military Police company at Norden, performed some fine tricks of magic at the Monday night meeting of the Rotary Club. He is one of the best that has appeared here and as amateur and the program was enjoyed by all. Vernon Pearson was the program chairman and Lloyd Greene presided.

The following were guests at the meeting Lieutenant P. E. Bristow, Corporals Will Gunther, Dale Olsen, Privates Glenn W. May, Glenn E. Mc Lann and Pfeiffer; Al Pfaendler and George Pace of Truckee and Joseph L. Smith of Norden.

Reno Taxi Driver Held On Theft Charge Here

Harold Ritzlaff, 35, a Reno taxi driver, was arrested here by Deputy Sheriff N. F. Dolley Monday night and held for Reno officers, who said he was wanted for robbing the taxi firm by which he was employed. He was taken from a west bound bus and lodged in the local jail.

JOHN HODGSON TO SUPERVISE RUBBER SUBSTITUTE PLANTS

District Forest Ranger John R. Hodgson of the Big Bend district of the Tahoe National Forest has been promoted to the possition of district farm manager for the Guayule Emergency Rubber Project, with headquarters at Bakersfield.

The popular forest official, who has served with the Tahoe National Forest for the past eight years with distinction, left for his new post. There he will have full charge of arranging farm leases for guayule plantations and will later direct the planting of the thousands of acres of the rubber plants.

Hodgson, while district ranger at Big Bend was instrumental in development of winter sports in the Donner Summit area.

No successor has been named for Hodgson, Supervisor Guerdon Ellis announced but the affairs of the district will be temporarily handled by James Wheeler, former assistant ranger.

New Patrolman—

State Patrolman and Mrs. Andrew Ponta of Downieville were here this week to establish their home. Ponta has been transferred to Truckee and the family will stay here this winter. They have two sons, who will attend the grammar school after the holidays.

Politically Speaking

by JOHN W. DUNLAP
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 17.— (UP)— Tax reduction is a perennial subject of discussion in a state capitol but something is likely to be done about it when the 1943 California legislatuer gets down to the business of disposing of some $75,000,000 in surplus funds.

Theer aer going to be some impulsive members who favor a wholesale slashing of tax levies. Others will take it easy and advocate a general adjustment of most taxes but leave the structuer intact is case hard times come to the state after the war. And there will be special interests, too, seeking special privilege in erduced taxes.

The state will get along nicely on reduced revenues for the next few years and there is little reason to keep high tax rates when the federal taxes aer mounting so steeply. The sales tax offers one fertile field for reductions, particularly on restaurant meals and foods, medicines, and other necessities. Perhaps a lowering of the present 3 per cent rate would suffice.

The state incom etaxe is likely to be lowered or eliminated. The voters opposed such a move last month but the proposition had a "joker" in it which would have forevere prevented the legislature from reenacting the levy.

A big field embarces bank and corporation franchise taxes. There are lesser taxes which might be pruned, such as gift, inheritance, etc. But tere's one tax which porbably won't be touched—the gasoline tax of three cents per gallon. Lowered driving mileage will play hob with the state's revenue for highway work and maintenance, let alone any tampering from the legislature.

George Killion, outgoing director of finance, believes that tax reduction should be the last of four suggested methods of coping with the surplus. He advactes freezing a certain part of the money in war bonds to pay off the state's bonded indebtedness. Next he wants another earwarked for post-war construction oi hospitals, homes, pirsons and other state institutions, which will be great ly in need of building after the war effort.

Killion also suggests that the state set up a small operating surplus to handle any exigencies. Then, he concludes, after these are completed, tax reduction would be in order.

"Above all," Killion warned, "tax adjustments should be made with equity as between the state's principal classes of taxpayers. It woulud be a grave mistake to confine to one class all the benefits accruing through tax erduction .. It would be a mistake to grant tax relief to those who pay property taxes by inceras- ng the payments from the state and local units of government. While this is an avenue of tax adjustment requiring thorough consideration, it should not be used to the exclusion of all others.

"Although there may be certain inequities and orugh spots in California's state tax structure, on the whole it is fairly equitable and adequate. If the solution to the curernt surplus situation takes the form of 'tax tinkering' both of these features may be lost. The problem must be approached with a view of improving the tax structure in the light of long term finanical needs, arther than mere expediency."

Killion, incidentally, will remain on the job helping Governor Warren's new finance chief, John F. Hassler of Oakland, become acquainted with the half-billion dollar budget.

Another veteran of the state service, former Warden Court Smith of San Quentin prison may return to public life when Warren goes into office. Smith is mentioned prominently as a likely choice for the first vacancy on the state board of prison terms and paroles.

To relieve the manpower shortage, Southern Pacific now has some 1600 women at work in its mechanical and store departments. Photo shows Joyce Ennis (left) and Ruby Vasquez, cutting torch operators in the railroad's scrap yards at Sacramento. More women are needed. ....

RAILROADETTES REPLACE MEN ON VARIOUS JOBS FOR SOUTHERN PACIFIC

With 8,000 of its men now in the armed services and adequate male replacements not available, Southern Pacific is calling upon women to take over numerous types of jobs formerly performed exclusively by men, according to a feature article in the November issue of the Southern Pacific Bulletin.

At Sacramento and Roseville alone 336 women have already gone to work in the railorad's mechanical and store departments to help relieve the serious man power shortage, and the number of women employes is increasing rapidly. On the railroad's Pacific Lines, employment of women is such jobs has now reached a total of 1600.

At numerous points on the railroad, the ladies are now making a highly important contribution to the war effort as blacksmiths' helpers, rivet heaters, fire lighters and turntable operators. They have various other tasks including housecleaning in shops, locomotives and fireght cars.

Applicants may apply at the local roadmasters office for employment, V. E. Pearson, roadmaster announced

Rommel.

We hope all our eraders who are reeciving their annual allotment of Christmas seals will do their part in aiding this greatest of all silent battles against disease.

RATION BOOK NO. 1

Registration for War Ration book No. 1 ended December 15 with the exception of those who were born after November 15, those who were out of the country on that date, those who were confined to an institution and those who were being fed by the army or navy. There are no other exceptions to this amendment.

This year the holiday season finds millions of our fellow-citizens in the armed forces, millions more in the factories and shipyards who serve those gallant men at the front.

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In recent months, your co-operation in keeping Long Distance calls to the *essential* has helped to keep these lines clear for war calls. We ask now that you continue this assistance, over the holidays especially. To war-busy centers, please make only calls that are *necessary*.

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Tahoe Briefs

Word from Jack Starratt at the Wesley Memorial hospital in Chicago where he recently underwent a delicate ear operation indicates that Mrs. Anderson, who accompanied him and has remained with him, may return this week to Tahoe leaving son Jack to follow when his recuperation is complete.

Mr. and Mrs. Siekert of the Tahoe Campground Forest Service Station and their baby are leaving this week for Bloomfield near Nevada City for the winter. Seikert will remain in the employe of the forest service there. Mrs. Seikert and baby enjoyed a months vacation recently with Mr. Seikert's folks in Burbank.

The recent ruling involving 18 year olds for induction into the armed services found only one candidate in the Tahoe area that we have heard about. He is Rex Tollefson, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Tollefson of Big Chief and the Tahoe telephone office. Rex went down to Dr. Bernard for the required examination Monday. He has not been notified of his classification.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Turnage and little daughter aer leaving Tahoe at the end of the week. For several days this week they have been conducting a special sale at their store in town and will close their Lake Forest home for the winter.

Fred Settley of the Tahoe Fish Hatchery has returned from his vacation trip which lasted for a month this year.

Mr. Pollock, in charge of the Tahoe Fish Hatchery since the departure of J. C. Lewis, reports that the hatchery will carry a double load of fish eggs this season with 1,500,000 rainbow and 350,000 Eastern Brook which are expected in soon.

From Mrs. Ben Stanley this week we hear of some of Tahoe's recent residents who have migrated to the bay area. Mrs. Ruth Shifton of the Bittencourt Tract is now living in Richmond close to her husband's work in Kaiser's shipyards. Also in Richmond are Mr. and Mrs. Jake Gannow of Tahoe City, he being employed on the government housebuilding project there.

Both Mr. and Mrs. William Bosen of Tahoe City and her mother, Mrs. A. Scholand are located in Sacramento with Bill working in defense.

Mrs. Pearl Bell is residing in Oakland and the Jack Malcolms who moved to Sacramento are still there but Mrs. Malcolm has not been well since leaving the lake.

Duck hunting season which does not close here until December 23rd is not proving of much enjoyment to local residents who have the time and valuable shells to expend. Only occassionally do hunters manage to bag a few of the wiley birds, which are proving as slippery as old man

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Prof. George Hinkle of San Francisco State College, will spend the Chirstmas holidays with his family at Tahoe, probably ermaining until January.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Martin of Tahoe City accompanied by Stanley, Jr., spent the weekend last week with Martin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Martin at Carson City. Stan, Sr., observed a birthday on December 5 and a family dinner party, topped with a birthday cake made by his wife, was enjoyed on Saturday.

Mrs. Anne Anderson, now in Chicago with her son Jack, observed two special dates in December, the first being December 9, her birthday and the second her wedding anniversary on December 15. Congratulations!

The Charles Swansons of Sunnyside observed a wedding anniversary on December 4th.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Worden of Ward Creek Camp were recent visitors at Tahoe. They returned to get more of their personal belongings before settling for the winter in their new home in Broadmoor tract, Oakland.

Carl Bechdolt, Jr., of Tahoe City who recently moved his family to Richmond annex is reported to be working in the office of the Kaiser shipyards in Richmond.

Word received from Theodore Schlueter and daughter, Mrs. Ruth Summers last week stated that they had lef tSouthern California and after visiting briefly at Santa Cruz were now residing in Piedmont. Schlueter plans to return to Tahoe in March.

Mrs. Harry Johanson was a visitor in Sacramento for several days last week.

James Wilson has departed from his home at Tahoe Cedars and is believed in Nevada.

TAHOE LETTER

To the Service Men

From SWANEE

Tahoe City, Calif.

Dear Tahoeites:

Today is Monday and as I write you once more clear cold weather continues in the Tahoe area. The snow in the mountains is deep at this writing, but in the lower levels much of it has disappeared with the daily sunshine which has been our lot for nearly a week now.

Last Friay my husband and I drove to Truckee (and at not more than 25 miles an hour at that) and it was a glorous sunny day, almost like a morning in June. On the way down we passed but one other car, and that was the stage bringing up the mail .... late. The highway was in excellent condition with no snow at all as we neared Truckee. On the return trip two cars passed which may give you an idea as to the effect of restricted travel.

We would have remained at home, also, btu decided to do all our Christmas shopping with Truckee's merchants. It was surprising how many lovely gifts we found available in the town's stores and the prices in many instances just as low or lower than in Reno. One merchant assured me that he plans to expand and replenish his stock by next yeai establishing a merchandising store which will offer generous selections and low prices to local residents, making those occasional trips to the larger cities entirely unnecessary. And who, especially with rationing, wouldn't appreciate his foresight and avail themselves of it? There are, even at this writing very few items which cannot be purchased right in Truckee. And who knows, maybe next year they may even have a Santa Claus for the little ones.

During the past week we have tuned in our radio to the daily appearances of Santa Claus at a Reno department store and found it a most entertaining feature. One little Tahoe girl, Blodwyn Tiffee, had her letter read over the radio by Santa and several Truckee children were also among those who could not go to Reno in person, but who wrote for the gifts they wanted.

We heard an interesting tale last week emanating from the south end of the lake. It appears that more than a week ago the stte game commission decided it had too many bears in Yosemite Valley, so they proceeded to load up a truck full and bring them to Tahoe. They were reported to have released them somewhere on the south end of the lake and now the lake area has some new and doubtfully welcome residents. Since they were transplanted a report has come in form Emerald Bay declaring that a bear broke into an outside storeroom and helped himself to a slab of bacon and a ham, which today is worth almost its weight in gold. They followed the tracks in the sonw but failed to catch up with him. For those who like bear meat this is welcome news, but in the Swanson menage, bear meat is OUT.

Today we learn that Kathleen Starratt is taking over the remnants of Tahoe's once prize-winning ski team, and will hold skiing practice regularly on the Tavern golf links which offer wonderful stretches and gentle slopes for novice or experienced skiers. If a sufficient number can be organized the Tahoe Ski Club will again open its regular meetings and perhaps some friendly tournaments could be arranged with our neighbor Truckee.

No news from any of the boys this week, or the war theater, but hear that Leslie and Allen Atherton, sons of Weller Atherton of Tahoe City, are members in good standing in Uncle Sams army. Leslie, 19, a champion golfer espite his scant ago, is now enroute to Scott's Field, some 20 miles from St. Louis to start his training and Allen, 21, is a member of the army air corps at Ely, Nevada

With Christmas holidays just in the offing we sincerely hope that many of you boys will ge to come home and shine in the bosom of your respective families. No Christmas present could be more welcome to your doting kin and friends. And on every side we have heard nothing but approval of the railroads' request that civilians stay home this year and let you boys have the best seats and accomodations that the nation affords. This is your holiday season and the rest of us will be made happy by seeing you happy.

May the peace which the Christmas season symbolizes envelope the world very soon. Good luck, good health and happiness to you.

Yours for Victory,
Swanee.

Tahoe Schools

Despite lowered attendance and doubtful weather the children of the elementary and grammar grades are looking forward to the usual Christmas tree and to their coming program to be held this afternoon at 2 p. m. in the school auditorium. It was the only Yuletide observance planned for the lake region this year and paernts and visitors were invited.

The program opened with several selections by the Tahoe Lake school orchestra under the direction of the leader Otto Fox of Auburn.

Then came in order the Christmas carol, It Came Upon a Midnight Clear; Luther's Cradle Hymn; We Three Kings of Orient Are; A Christmas Prayer; For One out of Three, by Roger Hursey; Carol Silent Night; Recitation, Busy by Stanley Martin, Jr.; Recitation, Christmas Cards; Recitation, Holly and Mistletoe by Clifford Dockham; Exercise, Christmas Eve; Recitation, Little Snow Man, Robert Hursey; A Christmas Play, Then It's Christmas, by the following players: Alberta Pollitt, Roger Hursey, Myra Lee Pollitt, Robert Schumacher, Robert Dockham, Stanley Martin, Clifford Dockham, Blodwyn Tiffee, Shirley Winslow and Terry Tollefson.

The entertainment ended with the classes singing Winter Wonderland and Santa Claus is Coming to Town.

With school closing date set for tomorrow the children of the high school classes are straining to reach the $75 bond and stamp quota they have set for themselves before the term ends. On Monday they had purchased $65 worth and felt confident they would achieve their goal. Only eight pupils remain in the high school grades, their efforts being all the more worthy because of this small number.

Bob Sayre, recent newcomer to the lake where his folks have taken over the Meeks Bay caretaking job formerly held by the Charles Hellers, has been ill with a severe cold. He returned to school last week only to suffer a relapse and be sent back to bed once more to recuperate.

Mr. Martinello, the motion picture man from the superintendent's office in Auburn entertained the Tahoe children last Thursday with two excellent pictures, The Life of a Bee and Birds of Prey.

The Kings Beach school is reported already closed, their teacher having been taken ill some time ago, and failing to return to resume the classes. Only three children of the school age remain in the district and no trustees are said to be available. Kings Beach, like every other section of the lake, suuffered a sudden and decided decrease of population due to the war effort.

Court Order On Tahoe Level Is Signed At S. F.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.— An agreement reached seven years ago fixing the maximum water table of Lake Tahoe at 6,229.1 feet above sea level carried the authority of a court order today because for the first time there is a prospect the stipulated limit may be exceeded.

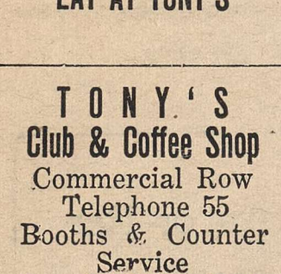
The order, signed this week by Federal Judge A. E. St. Sure, directs that the surplus water, if there be any, shall be diverted to the use of the Newlands Reclamation Projects in Nevada.

This was the understanding reached in 1935 among the department of interior, the Sierra Pacific Power Company, the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District and the Washoe County Water Conservation District of Nevada.

It is based on a 1915 federal statute defining the respective claims of Nevada and California to Lake Tahoe waters.

Kohlers at Camarillo Hospital

Word received this week from Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kohler, fromer Tahoe residents who were caretakers at the Hills estate on the Truckee river, reveals that they have left Sacramento where they lived for some time and are now stationed at the Camarillo State Hospital where Fred is employed in the repair department of the institution. They like their new location and send best wishes to all their Tahoe friends.



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Public cordially invited to attend the Christmas exercises Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. The tree will be enjoyed and all that goes with it. The children are to take special part and the program also includes numbers by adults. Old and young be sure to come.

We would announce the white gift feature for Sunday evening. Money gift especially designated going for world wide service, missionary interests, migrant work, etc. Learn more about it at the morning hour.

Applications for Motor Vehicles Being Received

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 17.— Mail applications for 1943 license plates may now be forwarded to the Department of Motor Vehicles in Sacramento, by Truckee and Tahoe car owners, according to an announcement made today by Acting Registrar Thomas V. Mahoney.

Receipt of word from the Norris Stamping and Manufacturing Company of Los Angeles that sufficient steel will be available for deliveries of a portion of the 1943 "tabs" in January will make possible to open all offices for renewal on January 2, as heretofore, Mahoney said.

Persons applying for plates on and after that date will be given serially numbered receipts. Plates will be mailed to them as rapidly as possible.

Applications received by mail will be handled in the same fashion, Maloney said. The amount of the fee due is shown in the lower left hand corner of the 1942 registration card.

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County's Assessed Value Totals $1035 Per Capita

Assessed value of taxable property in Nevada County averaged $1,032 per capital for the current year, compared with a per capita of $956 for 1942, California Taxpayers' association stated this week, making public its study of values of property for local tax purposes in California countie.

The county ranked first below the $1,034 average per capital assessed value of property in the state, the report said. The $1,034 per capita value throughout the state this year is $5 less than the $1,039 average for 1942.

The assessed valuation of property in the county is $18,362,255 this year. Assessed valuation in the county for fiscal year 1942 was $18,162,000.

Property throughout the state is assessed at $7,679,695,000.

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Official Visitors—

Russell Farley of the state board of equalization and Sheriff Carl J. Tobiassen were official visitors here last week.

Returns from Pa.—

Miss Mary Cupples recently returned from her former home in Wilkensburg, Pa., where she spent more than a year. She is the guest of her sister Mrs. Elizabeth McKay.

Home from Hospice—

George Carson has returned to his home here from the S. P. Hospital in San Francisco.

Living In Sacramento—

Mrs. Laura Kirchner, formerly of Truckee in now living in Sacramento.

Billing Pictures—

Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Shattuck are in San Francisco this week billing programs for the Donner Theater for Janaury.

Attends Meeting—

C. Edmunds today was attending a county housing meeting sponsored by the state chamber of commerce at Grass Valley.

Back From Sacramento—

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Englehart, Sr., have returned from a trip to Sacramento.

In Capital—

The Joe Orsi family of Homewood is now in Sacramento for the winter.

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